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Sir:

Enclosed is the Declaration under 35 U.S.C. 371, being submitted in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed March 5, 2007 (hereinafter "Notice"). A copy of the Notice is also enclosed.

Please charge Merck & Co., Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 13-2755 in the amount of \$130.00, the fee for furnishing the declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date

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- Biochemical Sequence Listing filed on 05/01/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/01/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment a surcharge (for late submission of filling fee; search fee examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

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